ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST INC Form 8-K December 12, 2011

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE

SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported): December 12, 2011

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction of

001-31775 (Commission 86-1062192 (IRS employer

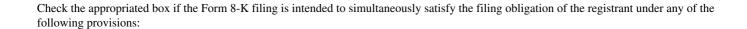
incorporation or organization)

File Number)

identification number)

14185 Dallas Parkway, Suite 1100

Dallas, Texas 75254 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code) Registrant s telephone number, including area code (972) 490-9600



- " Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- " Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14-a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On December 12, 2011, Ashford Hospitality Trust, Inc. (the Company) announced that it has successfully restructured its \$203.4 million mortgage loan and extended the maturity date from December 2011 to March 2014. There is also a one-year extension option subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions. The restructuring provides for a new interest rate of LIBOR plus 4.5% with no LIBOR floor. At the closing of the restructuring, the Company paid down the loan by \$25 million to \$178.4 million.

The press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

Exhibit Number

99.1 Press Release of the Company, dated December 12, 2011, announcing the completion of \$203.4 million mortgage loan restructuring and extension.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: December 12, 2011

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST, INC.

By: /s/ DAVID A. BROOKS David A. Brooks

Chief Operating Officer and General Counsel